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An Act regulating Public Printing.

✓ [Chapter 15, Revised Statutes.]

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SEC. I. II. [Superseded by general laws of 1858, page 50.]

(1.) SEC. III. The printing of the laws shall be done in folio pages, exactly uniform in length and breadth, and the same from year to year, with uniform width of margin; the body of the pages shall be printed on good long primer type, and the notes and marginal printing in good nonpareil type; the paper for the same shall be of good quality, and as nearly uniform as possible in thickness, texture, and color; and that the statutes at large of the United States, as published by Little & Brown, shall be the standard for all book printing done for the territory.

Printing of the laws how to be executed; standard of book printing.

(2.) SEC. IV. The journals of the two houses shall be done in folio pages, exactly uniform in length and breadth, and the same from year to year, with uniform width of margin, the size of the pages to conform to the printed journals of the council, for the first session of the legislative assembly, and shall be printed in good long primer type. The journal of the council shall be printed under the direction of the secretary of the council and the journal of the house of representatives under the direction of the chief clerk, and a copy of each journal shall be furnished to the public printer within thirty days after the adjournment of the legislature.

Journals of each house, how to be printed, and under whose direction.

SEC. V. [Superseded by general laws of 1858, page 50.]

(3.) SEC. VI. The public printer shall, within thirty days after the printing of the acts, memorials, and joint resolutions, and the index to the same shall have been completed as aforesaid, deliver the number of copies thereof prescribed by law to be printed, to the secretary of the territory, folded, stitched, pressed, or covered in such manner as may be by law required.

Printer to deliver the printed copies to the secretary.

(4.) SEC. VII. Within one hundred days after the adjournment of any session of the legislative assembly, the public printer shall deliver to the secretary of the territory, such number of copies of the journals of both houses, including the necessary documents and index, as may be required by law, bound or folded, stitched, pressed, and covered in such manner as may be by law required.

Printed copies of journals to be presented to secretary within one hundred days.

(5.) SEC. VIII. All the incidental printing of the legislative assembly shall be done under the direction of the secretary of the council and chief clerk of the house, as the printing may be ordered by their respective

Incidental printing done under direction of sec

retary of the council and clerk of the house.

houses, or under the direction of any committee or other person appointed by either or both houses, and shall be done in a neat, substantial, workmanlike manner.

Suit when to be commenced on printer's bond.

(6.) SEC. IX. Whenever any person elected to do the public printing of the territory, in conformity with the provisions of this chapter, shall fail to do or cause to be done the public printing as provided by this chapter, it shall be the duty of the secretary of the territory to institute suit on the official bond of said printer for the recovery of such damages as may have occurred in consequence of such failure; and if the said failure shall occur after the adjournment of the legislative assembly, the said secretary may have authority to employ some other person or persons to do the printing until the next meeting of the legislative assembly; and in case of any such failure during the session of the legislative assembly, the two houses by joint resolution may remove the public printer, and proceed to elect another person to do the public printing of the territory, who shall qualify and be governed in every respect as provided by this chapter, for the qualification and duties of public printer: *provided*, that no such joint resolution shall be valid, unless passed by a vote of two-thirds of the members present; and the question upon the adoption of said joint resolution shall be taken by the ayes and noes, and entered on the journal of both houses.

Printer may be removed by joint resolution.

Proviso.

SEC. X. XI. [*Superseded by general laws of 1858, page 50.*]

An Act to provide for the letting of the State Printing, Binding, and Advertising.

State printing and binding.

Repealed 1860 Act [Passed March 10, 1858.] *88-278*
 (7.) SEC. I. *Be it enacted by the legislature of the state of Minnesota:* That the printing, binding, and advertising, for the senate and house of representatives, for the governor, secretary of state, attorney general, state auditor, state treasurer, for the school and banking departments, and all other printing, binding, and advertising, for any and every one of the state officers which are now or may hereafter be created, and which may or shall be done under the authority and at the expense of the state of Minnesota, shall hereafter be done as follows: the state auditor shall, on the first Monday in July next, and biennially thereafter, forward by mail, for publication in one or more papers printed in each senate district of this state, a notice specifying, as nearly as may be estimated, the kinds, character, and quantity of printing, binding, and advertising which will be required to be done for the state during the term of two years therein designated, and that on or before the first Monday in August next ensuing, and up to 12 M. of said day, the said auditor will receive proposals from any person or persons actually engaged in the business of printing, publishing and binding, or either, within this state, for the execution of the said printing, binding and advertising, or any portion of said printing, binding or advertising so required to be done; each of which said proposals shall be accompanied by a sworn statement to be made by the bidder or bidders, specifying the place where such printing, binding and advertising, or any portion thereof, so bid for will be performed, and the facilities possessed by him or them for the execution thereof, together with the name and circulation of the paper in which the advertising will be published; and at the expiration of the time limited in said notice for receiving such proposals, the auditor shall open the same, and award the said contract or contracts for said printing, binding and advertising to the lowest and best bidder or bidders for the whole or any portion of said printing, binding or advertising for said term of two years specified in said public notice: *provided, however*, that no proposal shall be considered by

Public notice for proposals.

Length of contract.

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Award of contract.

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the auditor from any person or persons not actually engaged in such business of printing, publishing or binding, respectively, within the state, and that the bidder or bidders shall enclose with his or their proposals, a guaranty of such form and amount as shall be prescribed by the auditor, that the person or persons making such bid or bids, will, if the same be accepted, enter into a contract according to the terms thereof, and give security in a bond to the people of the state of Minnesota, in a penalty not less than double the estimated sum to which the contract so awarded will amount, to be determined by the auditor, the form of which bond shall be prescribed by, and the sureties of which shall be satisfactory to such auditor, conditioned for the faithful performance of the requirements of such contract; which bond, together with the contract, shall be deposited in the office of the secretary of state: *provided further*, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to interfere with the rights, emoluments and duties of the present state printer, the incidental printer of the two houses, and the state binder, during the term for which they have been respectively elected.

Bonds to accompany each bid.

Proviso as to rights of present state printer and binder.

(8.) SEC. II. The secretary of state shall annually cause indexes to the laws, journals and documents of the two houses to be prepared as soon as practicable after the adjournment of each session of the legislative assembly, and the said laws, journals and documents shall be printed and bound within ninety days after the copy and such indexes are furnished to the contractor or contractors for the printing thereof.

Indexes to laws and journals; publication of laws, &c.

(9.) SEC. III. All laws, journals, documents and advertisements, printed and published by the person or persons receiving the contract therefor, shall be deemed to be officially printed and published, and full faith and credit shall be given to them as such, in all places whatsoever.

Publication of laws, &c., to be taken as official.

(10.) SEC. IV. The state auditor shall have authority, and it is hereafter made his duty, during the progress of the public printing and binding, and in accordance with such regulations as will secure the state from loss, to audit the accounts for the state printing and binding, and to issue his warrants therefor, against any moneys in the state treasury which may have been appropriated for such purpose, to the amount of seventy-five per cent. of the printing or binding so done and audited; but the said auditor shall withhold his warrants for the remaining twenty-five per cent. on each job of printing and binding, until the whole of such job shall be completed and delivered to the proper officer authorized to receive the same.

Auditing of accounts; issuing of warrants.

(11.) SEC. V. All acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Repeal of other acts.

(12.) SEC. VI. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Take effect.